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Customer No. 22,852  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Takao MURAKAMI et al. ) Group Art Unit: 2833  
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Application No.: 10/616,976 ) Examiner: Alexander Gilman  
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Filed: July 11, 2003 ) Confirmation No.: 2868  
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For: **CONNECTOR** )

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

In reply to the Office Action mailed November 17, 2005, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.